

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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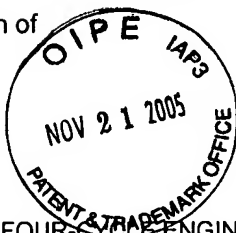
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Title: SNOWMOBILE FOUR-CYCLE ENGINE ARRANGEMENT



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Examiner: Boehler, A.M.

Date: November 21, 2005

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☐ **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.**

**Fees are attached as calculated below:**

Total effective claims after amendment 26 minus highest number  
previously paid for 26 (at least 20) = 0 x \$50.00 \$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202) \$

Independent claims after amendment 2 minus highest number  
previously paid for 3 (at least 3) = 0 x \$200.00 \$0.00 (1201)/\$0.00 (2201) \$

If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add  
\$360.00 (1051)/\$180.00 (2051) \$

Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this  
paper and attachment(s)  
One Month Extension \$120.00 (1251)/\$60.00 (2251)  
Two Month Extensions \$450.00 (1252)/\$225.00 (2252)  
Three Month Extensions \$1020.00 (1253)/\$510.00 (2253)  
Four Month Extensions \$1590.00 (1254)/\$795.00 (2254) \$

Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$130.00 (1814)/\$65.00 (2814) \$

☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee \$180.00 (1806) \$

Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) \$

Other: \$

**TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$ 0.00**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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**RESPONSE TO SPECIES RESTRICTION**

Unfortunately, the October 21, 2005 species restriction did not take into account the claims filed in the Preliminary Amendment filed April 2, 2004. The Office Action of October 21, 2005 lists claims 1-22 as pending. However, in the Preliminary Amendment filed April 2, 2004, receipt of which is clearly evidenced by the PAIR system, original claims 1-22 were canceled and new claims 23-48 were added.

Therefore, the restriction is incorrect and should be withdrawn. If election must be made, Applicant provisionally elects Species 1 (the embodiment of Fig. 3, claims 23-34 and 36-47) for further prosecution in the event no generic claim is finally held to be allowable, but does so for said of not being unresponsive.

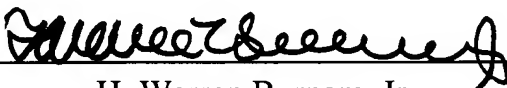
This election is made with strong traverse in view of the apparent misinformation regarding the pending claims.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account no. 14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of this Amendment and the continued pendency of the captioned application, including but not limited to any extension of time fees.

Should the Examiner feel that an interview with the undersigned would facilitate allowance of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,  
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